THINK THEY HAVE DE WET IN A TRAP.

British Say Boer General Is Between Three Columns and Two Swellen Rivers.

KNOX HARASSING HIS FLANK.

Pilcher and Herbert Are Also in Touch With the Republican Force-Surrender Is Be lieved to Be Near.

Aliwal North, Cape Colony, Friday, Dec C.-General De Wet appears to be in a most dangerous position, and to need all most dangerous position, and to beed all his strategy to extriente his force. With strong British columns on three sides and two swellen rivers harring his from, the British commanders bein to be loneful that the great chase by four columns, which has been one of the most exciting opera-tions of the war, will result in the capture

first received December 2. The next morning General Knox started in hot persult and Pilcher's and Herbert's columns were detached to make a tamber movement. After three hours' march General Knox learned that during the night De Wet had doubled back post the British right, neces-

sitating a complete change of plans.

During the night of December 5 General Knox encambed on the Carmel Farm, the site of the Boer langer, which evidently re-cently and burnledly moved. General Knox started again at daylight, hoping to corner The British executive d very grant diffi-culty in following the West, owing to the rise in the river, but they succeeded in crossing

troops being supplied by foragers, enabling them to make more rapid movements and keep in touch with the equilibriums. KITCHENER IS VERY ROPEFUL.

London, Data a - The War Office has re-ceived the following dispatch from General

Kitchener from Poemfontein, dated De-Printer s;

"Have just regrived news from Knox, at Bouxville, that ise Wet's force, having failed to force Coomassie Bridge, which we held, has trekked northeast, abandoning to horses and many carts. His attempt on to horses and many carts. His attempt on Cape Colony, therefore, has falled. He is being pressed on all sides." The War Office amountees that a gratuity

has served in South Africa since October 10, 1859. The loast amount will be 45. It is roughly estimated that it will take 41 90,000 to complete the payment.

Johannesburg, Dec. 8.—The Boers have captured 17,000 sheep from a small detachment of Bratish troops in the vicinity of

Antwerp, Dec. 8.—A special dispatch from The Hague says Hodand has no intention to intervene in favor of arbitration in the

CALLED ON WILHELMINA. The Hague, Dec. 8.-Queen Whitelmina re ceived Mr. Kruger in audience to-day. As the Boer statesman was traveling incognito the visit was not attended by the ceremony

usually paid to a chief of state. A court official proceeded to his hotel and eccompanied Mr. Kruger to the royal palace in a state carriage. Doctor Leyds re-ceived Mr. Kruger at the door of the palice, but was not present at the audience

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was a broad sash of the Transvaal colors ; was a broad sash of the Transvaal colors and the grand cross of the Netherlands lion. Doctor Leyds were a diplomatic uniform. The visit lasted a quarter of an hour. The Queen, Queen's mother and Mr Krager alone were present. The latter thanked the Queen for placing the cruiser Gelderland in the grand big discount. The crowds in the

land at his disposal. The crowds in the streets warmly cheered Mr. Kruger. CABLEGRAM FROM KRIGER. New York, Dec. 8.—The Consul General of the Orange Free State has received the following reply to a cablegram of good wisher sent to Paul Kruger by the American

"I thank the directors of the American Transvaal League and all sympathizing Americans for their greetings, and home their kind wishes will be fulfilled.

The Mayor, Councilors, the Citizens' Com-mittee and thousands of sightseers met him at the docks and escorted him to the Gov-

CAPTURED NEGRO WIRE THIEF. Policeman and Suburban Employ's Had Lively Chase.

Rediamont in a cirr. McCabe notated Sar and Officer Gibbens, and the three west on the Florissant division as far as C sarville. There there led the cirr and size ed on foot stid finite into For a mile two beyond Carestaville the results a lanely. Letween to from bridge and Ser der avenue the trip came most two grees engineer in until m who The negre-tars in original divertions. Officer Cibbs

Poince Officer Michael Gibbons, assisted at Colorel James A. McCabe, division sustintendent of the St. Louis and Subarban aslemy Company, and Nathan Smith, in electrician of the company, captured was their inst Friday night after a short tase.

COULD NOT LIVE ON PENSION. Mrs. McKenna Left Husband and He Got a Divorce.

CAPTAIN FLAHIVE SUSPENDED. Result of His Recent Charges Against Chief Hayes.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 8.—The Board of Police Commissioners to-day suspended Cap-tain Thomas P. Flahive for thirty days. This action was taken as a result of the recent examination of the Police Commissioners, at which Captain Flahive testified that Chief Hayes issued orders to him to permit a samebling-house to run on Union avenue

years.

James Lillis, a patrolman, who sustained
Captain Flahive in his statements, was
suspended for fifteen days.

RECEIVER FOR TWO CONCERNS. Woman Tries to Collect an Alleged Debt of \$313,000.

Knexville, Tenn., Dec. 8.-Mrs. Mary J. McCampbell, a minority stockholder of the Fountain Head Street Rallroad Company, has secured the appointment of a tempe-rary receiver for the Fountain Head Ruliduring envention week. Chief Hayes was experied.

The charges against Captain Flahive included inscharges against Captain Flahive included inschargination and the making of She alleges the companies owe about \$18,000.

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